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NORTH KOREANS ACCUSE US OF DROPPING  
 POISON GAS BOMBS DURING CEASE-FIRE NEGOTIATIONS

P'yongyang, 13 August (Hsin-hua) -- While cease-fire talks are being carried on, the American army of aggression has stepped up bombings of peaceful Korean cities and villages, and recently committed new crimes by dropping gas bombs. Pak Hun-yong, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, on 11 August 1951 in a message to the UN, protested the use of gas bombs by American planes during the armistice talks. The message read as follows:

"At 1630 hours on 1 August 1951, US planes dropped two 300-kilogram gas bombs over Yonan, resulting in the poisoning of three soldiers and 40 residents, nine of which were poisoned seriously. The symptoms of the poisoning were fever, tears, coughing, and vomiting.

"At 0630 hours, on 7 August 1951, US planes dropped gas bombs over Tunam San and Sudo Plateau, occupied by the Korean People's Army. Of the 22 military personnel poisoned, eight persons died immediately.

"The American troops have also dropped gas bombs on the Korean People's Army and the Chinese People's Volunteer Army on other battlefields."

The message pointed out that the new crimes violate international law, and that the committing of such crimes during the cease-fire talks clearly expose the US attitude toward the question of restoring peace in Korea.

The message added, "Everyone knows that the American aggressors are using the name of the UN to cover up their aggressive crimes in Korea. The 18 nations which have sent troops to Korea at US insistence are all accomplices to these crimes."

The message concludes: "The Democratic People's Republic of Korea, which opposes the continual atrocities committed by the interventionists, especially the use of poison gas bombs, hereby protests to the UN. At the same time, it demands that the UN and member nations which are participating in the Korean intervention decidedly separate themselves from these crimes which are against the conscience and security of mankind. It further demands that they withdraw their troops from Korea, and that the American war criminals be handed over for trial."

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